Home Coming Service At Mount Shiloh

The annual homecoming and beginning of the annual revival will begin this Sunday August 14 at 11 a.m. at the Mount Shiloh Baptist Church. The pastor of the church will deliver the morning message and special music will be rendered by the Gospel Harmonetts of the Jordan Baptist Church. Dinner will be served by the ladies of the church at the close of the morning service. The afternoon service will be rendered by the Rev. J. D. Scruggs and his Rising Sun Baptist Church of Amherst, Va. Music will be rendered by the Rising Sun Senior Choir. The service will begin promptly at 2:30 P.M. The Rev. James Franklin, Jr. of Bluefield, West Virginia will be the guest speaker thru the week. Services will begin each evening at 7:30. All members and friends are cordially invited to attend.

A large crowd attended the home coming service at the Galilee Baptist Church Sunday at 11 a.m. and 2:15 P.M. The special guest for the day was the Rev. Claude Lambert of the Mount Lebanon Baptist Church and his Gospel chorus. The morning message was delivered by the Rev. R. Q. Lawing, Jr. with music furnished by the Baltimore chorus. Several deacons from local churches took an active part in the days service. At the close of the morning worship, dinner was served by the special committee in the fellowship hall. The afternoon service was called to order by the pastor. The following leaders reported the following amounts from members and friends of the church: Mr. George Stevens, $173.00; Mrs. Lois Bigelow, $124.50; Mrs. Bernice Lawing, $97.00; Mrs. Delores Bagby, $92.00; Mrs. Diane Scruggs, $80.00; Mrs. Ann Moore, $70.00; Mr. Charlie Palmer, $67.25; Mr. Earl Austin, $65.00; Mrs. Alpha Brown, $31.00; Mr. James Nelson Stevens, $25.00. The drive was for the benefit of the church The pastor thanked each leader and all the members and friends who helped to make the rally a success. The home coming speaker for the afternoon service was the Rev. Claude Lambert who will be the speaker thru the week. The chorus rendered special music for the service. Two solos and two duettes were rendered by visiting members from Baltimore and our own Mrs. Evelyn Berry. The entire service was rich, spiritually, physically and financially.

A large crowd attended the morning worship at Zion Baptist at Pamplin last Sunday morning. Our pastor, Rev. Hankins was in charge of the morning service. After the morning service dinner was served in the fellowship hall. The Rev. David Jordan, pastor of the Triumph Baptist Church was in charge of the afternoon service. Rev. Jordans choir and ushers accompanied him. He delivered a great message from the theme, "Going Home".

The Triumph Baptist Church will hold its annual revival on the fourth Sunday in this month. Dr. Charles M. Franklin will be the guest speaker.

The following members of the Zion Baptist Church served on the food committee with Mrs. Barbara Radcliff as chairman: Mrs. Mattie Lawson, Mrs Rebecca Ferguson, Mrs. Magnolia Franklin, Mrs. Susie Hunger, Mrs. Nannie Johnson, Mrs. Esselle Hamlett and Mrs. Minnie Ferguson.

CHILDERS FAMILY TO HOLD REUNION

Family and friends of the late Jansen E. and John D. Childers will hold their annual family reunion at the Oakville School on August 28, 1977. Lunch will be served at 1:00 p.m. Family and friends are invited to come and bring a picnic lunch.

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Father Darkleaf

BY CALVIN ROBINSON

Proud to say that we have had rain on Martha Street, and things are looking up. Some say it was one inch. Not all that we could use after such an extended dry spell, but things will grow. Cooler temperatures too. For weeks the thermometer has been well up in the nineties and flirting with one hundred.

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My friendly gasoline supplier tells me that traffic has been heavy along Route 460 – Confederate Blvd. May even have to consider another traffic light to give a break to those entering from side streets. Several times lately motorists have "let us in" and enabled us to get home in time for supper. Ah yes, there are lots and lots of nice people around. However if you are driving in a line of cars be sure to give adequate signals before you stop or turn....for your bumper's sake. I am delighted when visiting travelers stop to patronize our business places. Saw a Florida licensed car at a local laundrymat, a California car getting gas at one of our service stations, etc. If you have a chance, tell'em to try one of our fine eating places, and to visit the National Historical Park at the Old Court House.

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There have been lots of yard sales this season. They usually draw lots of customers. Saw a variation the other day. The sign said "Everything Sale."

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Back from a recent Southern trip, Mrs. Rachel Lawson brought me a copy of the Atlanta, Ga. Journal-Constitution. Quite a lot of reading, 286 pages. The Journal's slogan is "Covers Dixie Like the Dew."

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A column or so ago I ran a list of Appomattox County lawyers past and present. I made an important ommission, leaving out the name of Miss Mary Yancey Spencer, attorney-at-law, daughter of Mrs. Elaine McD. Spencer and the late Harold Y. Spencer. So far as I know, Miss Spencer is the only lady attorney Appomattox County has had.

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Now let us try a list of Appomattox doctors, past and present. Quoting from "A County History" by the late C. W. Smith, County Clerk, and adding to his list which was published May, 1945, we find the following: Wm. Diuguid Christian, David P. Robertson, R. A. North, Charles Morton, Robert Paterson, Benjamin Vawter, William White, Thomas Hix, Richard Watkins, John Randolph, William N. Norsley, A. A. Rice, Joel W. Flood, N. Northington, Robert Whitehead, Reuben Palmer, William Albert Thornhill, D. Mott Robertson, Dr. Taliaferro, John R. McDearmon, C. W. Jones, W. A. Kearney, H. S. Hart, Thomas Matthews, Thomas Rucker, William H. Abbit, Julian H. Abbitt, James B. Abbitt, E. E. Walker, F. H. Lukin, W. L. Ould, D. N. Twyman, R. H. Cross, D. A. Christian Jr., Dr. D. A. Christian III, C. G. O'Brien, (above from C. W. Smith's list and I note that some may have actually lived adjacent to our county but included Appomattox in their practice area. And since Mr. Smith's article was written, we add Dr. Stanley Boyce, Dr. A. A. Fratrick, Dr. J. A. Mathews, Dr. Kenneth A. Powell. The list of dentists is much shorter. Our Professional Men have rendered great service to the people of this area and we are proud of their dedication to our health and well being. If we have omited anyone, let us know.

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Thanks for reading and seeya next week.

COURTLAND REALTY has broken ground for a 128 X 32 square foot office building on the site where the "old S. L. Ferguson homeplace" stood for many years, just across Court Street opposite the Court House Square.

The two floor building will have approximately 8,200 square feet of floor space and will be known as Courtland Office Building. Clover Hill Manufacturing Company is contractor for this project. Most of the first floor space is already leased, the basement floor is still available. Entrances will be from Court Street and from the Atwood Street locations.

Named Forester For County

WAYNE F. BOWMAN

Wayne F. Bowman has been named Forester for Appomattox County to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Warren Taylor.

A graduate of Virginia Polytechnic Institute & State University, Bowman is married to the former Beverly Moore, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alton Moore of Appomattox County. They reside in the Vera community.

Before coming to Appomattox, Bowman was employed by the Virginia Division of Forestry in Halifax and then at the Eastern Shore.

We welcome them to our community.

CETA Title I Funds Allocated

The Planning Committee of the Central Virginia Manpower Planning Council met August 8 and 9 to allocate $798,186 of Comprehensive Employment and Training Act (CETA) Title I funds among 39 agencies that had requested funding in the amount of 2.5 million dollars.

These funds are available from October 1, 1977 through September 30, 1978. All funding must be used for Public Service Employment positions and training programs by private/public non-profit agencies and local jurisdictions.

The following agencies were funded:

Holiday Lake 4-H	$ 79,000
Individual Referral Program	92,659
On-the Job Training Program	125,000
VEC Training Program for Women	55,942
VEC work experience programs	230,123
Central Va. Commission on Aging	11,200
Hudson House	12,337
Lynch. Community Action Group, Inc.	32,370
Alcoholic Rehab. Cen.	10,545
Opportunities Ind. Cen.	64,226
Phyllis Wheatley, YWCA	18,700
Cen. Va. Planning Dis. Commission	48,042
Central Va. Planning Dis. Commission acting on behalf of Cen. Va. Manpower	18,042

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Local Persons Attended Annual SCS Meeting

Andy Dreszer and Karen Knapp, WESTV ACO Foresters and Robert McClenny, Jr., with the USDA Soil Conservation Service, were among more than 1,900 attending the 32nd annual meeting of the Soil Conservation Society of America in Richmond last week.

The theme of the meeting was "New Directions in Century Three: Strategies for Land and Water Use."

Activities began on Sunday with a reception at which Assistant Secretary of Agriculture M. Rupert Cutler delivered the keynote address.

The Society is a private, nonprofit association of professional conservationists dedicated to advancing the science and art of good land use. It has about 15,000 members in the United States, Canada, and 80 foreign countries.

CONCORD SQUAD TO TEACH CLASSES

An American Red Cross Standard First Aid and Personal Safety will be taught at the Concord Rescue Squad Building by members who are qualified instructors.

Classes will begin Thursday, August 25th at 7 p.m. and will be a 3-hour classes each week until the course is completed.

If interested in taling the class, be there!

Local Employees Should Not Be Affected

Genesco May Sell 16 Firms

As part of an economy move, officials of Genesco Inc. plan to recommend to the company's board of directors at the end of this month that 16 of its clothing manufacturing firms be sold.

All 16 firms manufacture women's and children's apparel and Appomattox Garment Company is one of the 16 facilities included.

In talking with Les R. Nelson, Public Relations Manager for Genesco, on Tuesday of this week, we were told that Genesco's Chairman of the Board of Directors will recommend to the board on August 31st that one section of their business, women's and children apparel, be sold or liquidated.

Nelson stated, "every effort will be made to sell these businesses not to liquidate them. If we have to liquidate them, it would be a complete loss for everyone." He also said if the businesses are sold operations will continue on a business-as-usual basis and employees should not notice any difference at all.

Genesco Inc. is engaged in shoe manufacturing, men's apparel, women's and children's apparel, and retailing. According to Nelson, the manufacture of women's and children's apparel is least profitable and if sold or liquidated, they could then concentrate on the other three areas of their business.

He also told us that it is not that the Appomattox Garment Company is not making money but since it is a manufacturing operation for women's and children's clothing, it will be included with the other 15 firms.

Fred Lawson, former President of Appomattox Garment Company owned by Genesco, told us Tuesday morning that the 'girls would have nothing to worry about. They will have jobs in locally owned factories if Genesco sells or is liquidated." He added, "there is too much experienced labor here not to have factories available to utilise this labor."

THE PHILIPPINE AGRICULTURAL TRAINING PROGRAM which began in 1974 now has its fourth group in the U.S. One of these trainees, Jessie Antiquina, has been on the John Wilson farm for four months. This is a two year training program for young Philippinos who will return to farms in the islands.

Last Friday persons responsible for the program visited Jessie, at the Wilson farm. Pictured above are L-R - Larry Hancock, Regional Manager, National 4-H Council, Raleigh, N.C.; Jessie Antiquina; Frank Abano, Chairman, Phillippino Agricultural Training Program and also Manager Public Relations, Goodyear Tire and Rubber Co. - Philippines; and Rodolfo Madrid, Chief Planning and Programming Division, Philippine Department of Agriculture.

Appomattox County Public Schools Recipient of Title VI-B Project Grant

Mrs. Lorraine Burgess New Distributive Education Teacher - Coordinator

The Appomattox County School Board has recently appointed Mrs. Lorraine Burgess as the new Distributive Education Teacher-Coordinator

Mrs. Burgess, originally from New Jersey, is a graduate of Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, Blacksburg. At V. P. I. & S. U., Mrs. Burgess was a member of the Virginia Vocational Association the Virginia Home Economics Association and the Virginia Tech Distributive Education Clubs of America Chapter. She was also a member of the Angel Flight National Service Sorority and the Little Sister Program of Delta Kappa Epsilon Fraternity.

Mrs. Burgess, who is now a member of the Virginia Association of Distributive Education Teachers and the National Association of Distributive Education Teachers, plans to become more involved in these groups to better fulfill her duties in the Appomattox County Public School System. Among other things, her duties will include working closely with local merchants to provide students with valuable on-the-job training.

Mrs. Burgess and her husband, John, who is the Upjohn Company Sales Representative for this area, are living in Lynchburg.

Mrs. Burgress says she is delighted to be here and feels that teaching in Appomattox will be a very rewarding experience. She hopes that any or all of the townspeople will feel free to call upon her for any information or assistance. She looks forward to meeting and working with everyone.

Anyone wishing information about the Distributive Education Program is welcome to contact Mrs. Burgess at the high school by calling 352-7146.

The Appomattox County Public Schools have again been selected to be the recipient of a Title VI-B Project grant. This federal assistnance is funded by the Elementary and Secondary Education Act.

This is the sixth year that the county has received these funds. The amount to be received is $12,000. A class for the Hearing Impaired, initially funded last year, will receive an allocation from carry-over funds. The project covers the salary of the teacher as well as the purchase of materials and equipment. The success of the program in 1976-77 was responsible for its selection again this year.

Hearing Impairment may vary from slight to extreme. The local program is designed to serve students whose needs are quite varied and require individual instructional programs. Two county students, who spent the first six years of schooling at the Virginia School for the Deaf, have been able to return home because of the availability of services.

Last year's project provided for the purchase of electronic equipment which is necessary for the success of a progrm for the Hearing Impaired.

Under Public Law 94-142, federal funds are being provided to local divisions on a flow-through basis. The county is to receive $8680 from this source. The allocation is to supplement the program of special services but can not be used to supplant local effort.

Students, who are being served by special services for the handicapped, are placed as follows: Hearing Impaired - 7; Educable Mentally Retarded - 47; Trainable Mentally Retarded - 16; Speech Handicapped - 75; Learning Disabled - 13; Pre-School Handicapped - 10.

Classes for the Educable Mentally Retarded are provided for students in grades 1-12. Children in this classification can profit from educational experiences in keeping with their capacities for learning, their social adjustment, and their aptitudes and interests.

The ultimate objective of this program is to educate mentally handicapped children so that they may become self-supporting members of the community, prepared to participate in community affairs and to perform their citizenship responsibilities. If allowed to remain in the academic environment of a regular classroom, these children are often subjected to frustrations with the result that they frequently develop detrimental behavior patterns and have no opportunity for practical educational growth commensurate with their potentials.

When placed in special classes where curriculum experiences are provided to develop their potential most of them become socially acceptable, attain adequate personal adjustment, gain academic skills needed in everyday living, and develop useful vocational skills.

The long range goals of a school program for trainable mentally retarded students include the development of self-help skills; achievement of favorable interaction with others which includes acceptance of discipline; direction in development of acceptable social manners; achievement of some degree of economic usefulness, and an attainment of civic responsibility. Classes are provided for these students who are ages 5-21.

Full time services for the Speech Handicapped were begun in 1976-1977, after a lapse of several years since Title I funds provided the services. Prior to that time, contractual arrangements with Central Virginia Speech and Hearing Clinic, had allowed students to be served less adequately than at the present time. The objectives of the program are to assist in all children to develop effective communication skills and to assist children who have speech or voice problems.

The program, which will begin in August for the Learning Disabled, is designed to assist students who are average or above average in their ability to learn but who are experiencing learning problems which prevent them from achieving commensuarate with their ability. In many instances, the student experiences reading difficulties which place him three grade levels or more below his grade placement. Children with learning disabilities require individually tailored educational plans.

In compliance with a decision of the General Assembly of Virginia in 1972, which recognized the need for serving the handicapped ages 5 - 21, a preschool program for handicapped children is entering its third year in this school division. The children, who are being served, demonstrate that their normal development has been delayed. In the past, remedial programs have not been available early enough in a child's life to offset damaging results. Locating these children is an on-going process.

The local school division is in compliance with the Standards of Quality and Public Law 94-142, both of which state that early identification of students is required. The program of special education must be acceptable to the Board of Education.

Lawson Ford Announces PP&K Registration

On Friday, August 19, registration for the 1977 Punt, Pass & Kick competition will begin in the showroom of Lawson Ford, Inc.

In making the announcement Dick Bland, General Manager of the dealership, said, "We're looking forward to a big local PP&K competition in Appomattox. We hope all the youngsters 6 through 13 years of age in this area will come in to register and take part."

Bland pointed out that PP&K – throughout its six levels of competition – is free of any charge, and that youngsters need only to have a parent or guardian accompany them to the showroom to register.

"Our competition here will have 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place trophies for contestants in each of the six age groups, or 18 trophies in all," he said. "Increasing each contrant's chances of winning is the fact that youngsters compete only against others in their own age group," said the Ford Dealer.

"Of course, there is no body contact in PP&K. It's punting, passing and place-kicking for distance and accuracy points – just as the name says. First place winners in each age group in our competition will go on to the Zone competition. And from there, top winners go on up the ladder through District, Area, Division and National finals," he said.

This year the National Finals will be held at Super Bowl XII in New Orleans on January 15, 1978. We hope some of our Appomattox PP&K winners will make it all the way to the Finals, Bland added.

The Ford Dealer further explained that each entrant, upon registering, receives a free PP&K Tips Book. In the 1977 edition there are competition tips by NFL stars Marv Fleming, Ken Stabler, and Toni Linhart. The Tips Book also includes complete PP&K rules and safety conditioning exercises for contestants.

PP&K registrations will close at Lawson Ford, Inc. on September 30th.

This is the 17th anniversary year of PP&K. From its inception the youth activity has been sponsored by the Ford Dealers of America in cooperation with the National Football League. In that time, more than 14 million youngsters have taken part in PP&K, making it one of the largest youth activities.

Middle School Guided Tours

The Appomattox Middle School Counselors, Mr. Victor Meadows and Mrs. Bolling Carter with the cooperation of the SCA, will offer guided tours of the school building to all incoming seventh grade students on Thursday, August 25 and Friday, August 26 from 8:30 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.

Both 7th and 8th grade students will be able to pick up their class schedules and homeroom assignments in the school cafeteria on these two days. The counselors urge all students to come to the middle school on one of these days in order to get their schedules and see where their classes are held.

MASONIC MEETING

A called meeting will be held at Monroe Masonic Lodge on August 18, 1977 at 7:30 P.M. for work in the Master Masons Degree.

Master Masons are urged to attend.

Local Rescue Squad Had 58 Emergency Calls

Volunteer members of the Appomattox County Rescue Squad responded to a total of 58 emergency calls during the month of July. Nine persons received first aid at the scene of six automobile accidents and thirteen persons were monitored on the DKG machine en route to a hospital.

While responding to these calls, members traveled a total of 2885 miles and spent 241 manhours on the calls.

One person went into cardiac arrest and successful CPR was given for nineteen minutes until the ambulance arrived at the hospital. We are happy to report that this person has returned home and is reported to be doing "just fine."

A breakdown of the calls is as follows: wrecks, 5; overdose, 2; diabetic, 1; broken bones, 5; illness, 5; back injury, 1; motorcycle wreck, 1; leg injury, 1; transports at doctor request, 10; industrial accident, 1; falls, 3; heart attacks, 7; chest pains, 5; bee sting, 1; convulsions, 2; dead on arrival, 2; gun shot wound, 1; breathing difficulty, 1; strokes, 2; and 1 eye injury.

J. M. COBB, JR., CHAIRMAN OF THE APPOMATTOX COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, left above, is shown receiving check from Stan Warner, Assistant Superintendent State Forest; as Andy Davis, Ranger for the Appomattox-Buckingham State Forest looks on.

The check from the Virginia Division of Forestry was presented at the Friday meeting of the Board in the amount of $18,910.70. The money represents Appomattox' portion of the one-fourth gross proceeds derived from timber cut from the Appomattox - Buckingham County Forest. Every year the Division of Forestry presents Appomattox County with this allocation.

The revenue from the timber is used by the Board of Supervisors to help finance the county budget.